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Goschka, Barcia, Stamas Announce Reinstatement of Funding for M-84 Road Project

\$13 Million Secured to Expand M-84 all the way to I-75

LANSING – Following months of deliberation, public input and negotiations, Sen. Mike Goschka, R-Brant, today announce an agreement between the Republican-controlled Legislature and the Granholm administration which restored previously deferred funding for the M-84 road project in Saginaw and Bay Counties.

“Restoration of this project is vital in terms of safety and economic growth,” Goschka said. “Sen. Barcia, Sen. Stamas and I have worked very hard and close together over the last several months to see this project through. This is a proud moment not only for area residents, but for bi-partisan cooperation!”

Earlier this year, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Department of Transportation announced they were deferring 34 capacity road improvement projects across the state, including the M-84 road project.

The administration’s willingness to include the project came following intense budget negotiations between the governor and legislative leadership, in which Goschka, Barcia and Stamas weighed in heavily for the Bay Road project.

The restoration of \$13 million in road funding will allow the construction phase of the M-84 project, from Pierce Road to I-75, to continue in 2003.

“With Sen. Barcia, Sen. Stamas and myself being members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and with my membership on the Standing Committee on Transportation, we were all very well positioned to work with the Granholm Administration and Legislative leadership to secure this very important funding” Goschka said.